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## Comment on Passing Events

By Frederic Heath

Chicago has just appropriated \$10,000 for the further investigation into graft. Capitalist party administration is as expensive to the people as it is corrupt.

One vital difference between the plutocratic trust and the so-called labor trust is that the labor trust is wide-open for any honest worker who wishes to come in out of the wet.

The two pole discoverers may continue casting discredit on each other's achievement, but the one point stands out significantly: Both of their descriptions of the land at the pole agree in every particular.

The severest indictment of all against capitalism is that all the labor-saving machinery that has been introduced has not benefited the one class in society that deserves to be benefited—the laboring class.

Capitalism points its lecherous finger at Socialism and at the same moment in which it breathes to its maledictions about "breaking up the home" keeps a firm grip on its family closet for fear some of its skeletons may slip out into the light.

Insurance against unemployment is engaging the attention of British law makers. It may be made compulsory by parliament.

It is astonishing how much attention the welfare of the class that makes the wealth is receiving since the working people began to elect their own class to parliament!

Baer says there is no coal trust. Yet Baer cannot have forgotten that at the time of the big coal strike he said that God in his infinite wisdom had trusted the control of the coal beds to a group of Christian gentlemen—a sort of divinely arranged trust. A trust with all the people in it should get control of the mines, in the interests of shivering humanity.

"The German ministry is disturbed at the gains which the Social-Democrats are making throughout the empire," says the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*.

And every sort of weapon known to cunning and brutality has now been exhausted in the effort to curb the great people's movement and it keeps marching on!

The Civic Federation should learn by Germany's experience.

The organized working people of Australia are battling with the unemployed problem. Here is a plank the Victoria Labor Council has just added to its political platform:

"Establishments of state mines, farms, factories and shops, for the purpose of affording employment, under government supervision, to persons requiring it, em-

ployees to be, as far as possible, consumers of the wealth they produce, and to receive as wages an equivalent of the net total produced."

All Germany has been shaken by the victory just scored by the Socialists in an election for member of parliament last week. In the Nineteenth district of Saxony all the old parties combined against the Social-Democrats, and when the ballots were counted it was found that the Socialist candidate had polled 21,178 votes and the combined opposition had but 9,308. The Conservative party lost 5,000 votes and the Clericals were all but wiped out. The contest was watched with great interest by Emperor William and leaders of the old parties, and the overwhelming victory of the Social-Democrats is said to have dumbfounded them.

In the *Living Church* of Sept. 18, is given a half-page advertisement of Racine college, a religious college under the protection of the Episcopal church. A large view of the college buildings is shown and in the foreground a long line of students armed with guns made for the express purpose of taking human life! Of course, this college is no worse than many others that maintain military drill.

But when we stop to think just why there is such a thing as military drill, how can such a picture help but make us shudder! And let us do a little supposing. Suppose Jesus Christ should visit this continent and happen in front of this institution, maintained by one of the religions conducted in His name, and saw it teaching potential murder — what would He say? What, indeed!

The trust plutocrats now have their eyes on the saloon business. The tobacco trust, which has played such havoc by its trust stores with the cigarmaking trade so that cigar makers in spite of a strong union can scarcely make a living any more, is planning, it is said, to establish a chain of saloons, run on trust lines, and has already made a beginning in New York City.

The saloon business offers a rich field for trust occupancy, and while some difficulties may be imagined to lie in the way of such a plan, difficulties have a habit of melting away before the chink of plutocratic gold.

It is argued that it would be no harder in kind to get the upper hand in the saloon business than to get control of the cigar trade even in the drug stores, which the trust already has absolutely.

A reverent German immigrant declared in an excess of religious fervor, "all things are impossible with Gott!"

Just so it may be said of the trusts: "All things are possible to the trust!"

## An Appeal and

### An Indictment

sufficient of itself to insure universal welfare. It is a true word that "Righteousness exalteth a nation. Lacking this is to lack the foundation of all true progress."

**"THE SIMPLE FACT THAT IN THE MOST PROSPEROUS COUNTRY IN THE WORLD MILLIONS ARE LIVING ON THE BORDER LINE OF POVERTY AND MANY THOUSANDS ARE IN ACTUAL WANT IS SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE OF THE UNRIGHT-EQUOUS CHARACTER OF OUR PRESENT PLAN OF CONDUCTING HUMAN AFFAIRS."**

"And this is the great question which now confronts us and to which this league, in no pessimistic spirit, directs attention in connection with the present celebration.

**"HOW SHALL THE PRESENT ORDER BE CHANGED SO AS TO INSURE FULLNESS OF LIFE TO ALL?"**

**"HOW SHALL THOSE WHO DO THE WORK OF THE WORLD RECEIVE THE FULL REWARD OF THEIR LABORS?"**

**"HOW SHALL THE NATURAL WEALTH OF THE WORLD BE MADE TO MINISTER TO THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD?"**

**"HOW SHALL ENFORCED POVERTY BE MADE IMPOSSIBLE TO HONEST MEN, IN THE MIDST OF PLENTY?"**

**"HOW SHALL CHILD LABOR BE ABOLISHED, WAR BE MADE IMPOSSIBLE AND THE KINGDOM OF BROTHERHOOD AND RIGHTEOUSNESS BE MADE AN ACTUAL WORKING FACT IN HUMAN AFFAIRS?"**

"These are the great fields to be explored, the great problems to be solved, by the men and women of today."

"Even the greatest development

of the arts and sciences is not suf-

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RELIGIOUS newspaper makes the assertion: That modern materialism has degraded the workingmen to machines, and that "godless Socialism" is now proceeding to lower them to "brute beasts."

It goes without saying that this pious paper is a "pious fraud."

To begin with, materialistic liberalism is far from having degraded human beings and workingmen to machines. It furthermore strives on one hand to justify this degradation of the workingmen effected by social conditions; while on the other hand it seeks to blind the workingman to his degradation by means of all sorts of vested rights and privileges.

Socialism, however, will free the workingmen from the weakness and wretchedness of his degradation and make him a man once more. It will make the machine the man's servant—the machine which today is his master.

Of course, we admit that the capitalistic mode of production has degraded the workingman to a living appendage of the machine, and compelled him to sacrifice his human dignity to capitalistic profit.

But religion or irreligion has nothing to do with it. The capitalistic method of production agrees just as well with Judaism as with the Chinese religion. It fits to Christianity as to materialistic liberalism.

We have never heard of any church or religious body that has condemned capitalism, or the production of surplus value and profit at the expense of the well-being of the laboring class, as irreligious and incompatible with the creed.

However bitterly Jews, Christians, heathens and free-thinkers may contend together on matters of faith, their social faith (if they belong to the upper class) is the same.

It consists in this one article, that the capitalistic form of society is the best we can have—that it is the only one which has any right to existence.

The majority of the men and women who live by the labor of the masses and who therefore have participated in the degradation of the workingmen, belong to some religious body or church, and yet they do not feel disturbed by this one bit—on the contrary they consider themselves good churchmen.

In Europe some of the Roman Catholic monasteries and nunneries are great "business institutions." And it remained for the Socialists to show up what beastly and inhuman employers they are in most cases, because they had even the advantage of being furnished orphans, fallen women, unfortunate men, etc., as workers.

However, the average capitalist, whether Christian, Jew or heathen, is subject to the economic laws of today. And those who are free-thinkers or adherents of materialistic liberalism obey the same social laws which control all capitalistic society.

They make all they can out of their workmen, just like the Christians and Jews.

Surplus value and profit have nothing to do with religious dogma, for they fit in well with any of these creeds.

And this cannot be otherwise.

Let us take a most Christian capitalist, for instance. If he expects a return from his capital on which he can live, he must invest it profitably.

Let us suppose that he invests it in railway stock, which pays him good dividends, or in a factory which yields him a considerable profit, or in a business which brings him in a considerable gain. Workmen are continually necessary to work with the capital and produce the surplus value which the capitalist receives as dividends, profit, gain, ground rent and so on to his heart's content. Workmen must be made use of so that the capital may not only remain intact, but increase and furnish the owner with an income.

But the conditions under which the workmen are made use of are not created by the individual capitalist or employer, but by the state of the labor market, and the general conditions of production.

The most Christian employer can pay no more than the heathen, the free-thinker or the Jew.

Suppose that a philanthropic manufacturer should pay his workmen much higher wages and insure them other favorable conditions of labor which they do not have in other places. What would be the inevitable consequence?

The good man would no longer be a match for competition, and he would soon—very soon, too—see before him the alternative, either to pay his workmen as poorly as his competitors pay theirs, or wind up his business.

It is capitalism which prescribes conditions in our present society. To these conditions even the individual capitalist or employer is subjected, whatever may be his own private inclination.

Capitalism compels the capitalist to be cruel and brutal.

Capitalism makes workmen the living appendages of machines.

Only Socialism, the aim of which is the abolition of capitalism, will make the laborer a man once more. How?

By withdrawing capital from individual control and making it the common property of the whole people.

By making society master of its social means of existence and thus giving it a chance to fit the production of goods to its necessities, instead of fitting its necessities to the despotism of capital.

By freeing the capitalist from the necessity of being a tyrant to his workmen, and the workmen from the necessity of selling themselves to the capitalist for starvation wages and sacrificing their human dignity to capitalist profit.

And that "good" Christian paper calls this aim of Socialists the lowering of men to the level of brute beasts!

Ah ye pious humbugs, consider the horrible conditions under which thousands and tens of thousands of our fellow men rot away in the midst of our "Christian civilization," and then tell us, who has ground down these wretches to the level of beasts?

Only Socialism can help these unfortunate.

Present society has nothing for them but disgust and suspicion—the prison and the gallows.

Workingmen of all nations and all denominations, throw off your medieval prejudices! Throw off the yoke of clericalism and hellish superstition which has cost the lives of untold millions. Be strong! Be fearless! Be free! And even you may be happy yet. Then your descendants will surely be happy.

*Victor L. Berger*

People who contemplate a trip to California and the coast will do well to be warned in advance against the fearful extortions of the Southern Pacific railroad, which seems to own the coast from one end to the other. A Milwaukeean who has just returned from a three-months' trip in Southern California gives some interesting experiences. For instance, he was charged for a sleeping car for one night the princely sum of \$5.50 and was forced to pay it because in order to make certain connections before his ticket ran out he had to take a train with no day coaches. Going out, he says, he was treated with decency, but it appears that the road waits till travelers are ready to start home and then skins them to the limit before it lets them go. Another instance of extortion was encountered on the home trip

from Salt Lake City. The road exacted ten dollars a hundred on excess baggage to Chicago, and he had to pay for the excess which he carried the snug sum of \$4.50 (45 lbs.) to get it to Milwaukee from Salt Lake.

The Southern Pacific owns even the street car system throughout the coast and California cities. Nothing seems to escape its voracious hunger.

## Kapitalism's Kriminal Kaleidoscope

**ALFONSO READY TO FLEE.**

PARIS, Oct. 5.—The costly war in Morocco is rapidly precipitating a crisis in Spain which may bring about the overthrow of King Alfonso. Conditions in Spain are more nearly revolutionary than during the Barcelona uprising. It is understood arrangements have been made for a hurried departure of the royal family if the storm breaks.

**CAPITALISTIC CANNIBALISM.**

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Starling developments in connection with the \$150,000 alienation suit filed by Mrs. Marshall Clark of Chicago, against Antoinette Elizabeth Gazzam, heiress to \$2,000,000, were promised by lawyers interested in the case today.

It is understood that an effort will be made to induce Miss Gazzam's father to apply for a conservator.

Mr. Gazzam has said that he thinks an effort is being made to wrest his daughter's fortune from her.

**BANKER GETS PRISON AT LAST.**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—The United States circuit court of appeals handed down a decree confirming the decree of the lower court sentencing John R. Walsh to the federal penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., for five years for misappropriating the funds of his banks.

**AFTER JURY FIXERS.**

CHICAGO, Oct. 6.—New indictments were expected to be voted by the grand jury today in the jury fixing

court," said Judge Vickery.

"Too much blood has been spilled and too much money and treasure expended in the settlement of that very question of the despotism of the military arm of the government for this court to rule otherwise."

**STABBED FOR PROFITS.**

EAU CLAIRE, Wis., Oct. 5. (Special) — Henry Hudson, a local junk dealer, is in jail, and John Phillips, of the firm of Phillips Bros., also junk dealers, lies on his death bed at Sacred Heart hospital, as a result of a stabbing affray on the north side Tuesday afternoon. The tragedy was the result of a quarrel between the junk dealers over a division of profits.

**RESPECTABLE DUALITY.**

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The American ice company, otherwise known as the "ice trust," will be placed on trial today before Justice Charles D. Wheeler in the criminal branch of the supreme court, in the Criminal Courts building, on the indictment filed last June accusing the corporation of entering into contracts in restraint of trade.

**DRIVEN TO MASS MURDER.**

RIO JANEIRO, Oct. 3.—A dispatch received here from Correio says the Paraguayan revolutionists surrounded a government force under Major Pontes and Machuca there. A lively encounter took place at Puerto Maria, two miles from Puerto Martim. Many were killed and wounded on both sides.

**WHY THE RAILROAD?**

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## Impossibilism and Its Psychology

By Isidor Ladoff

Written for the HERALD.  
"Simple Simon went a-fishing  
For to catch a whale, \* \* \*  
All the water he had got  
Was in his mother's pail."

HERE was nothing wrong about Simple Simon's ambition. However, the ways and means employed by him in the process of gratifying his ambition, his modus operandi, his tactics were rather simple. Indeed, in the first instance, he obviously did not have the slightest conception of the nature, the mode of life, and the place of habitation of the object of his ambition, the whale. Obviously to describe all Simple Simon did not know would require an encyclopaedia jointly edited by such prodigies of science and art as Ella Wheeler Wilcox and Beatrice Fairfax.

All we may say is, that Simple Simon tried to do a thing done by other people in a rational way, in a way anything but rational. Simple Simon made the accomplishment of his task impossible by choosing irrational tactics.

Simple Simon was an "impossibilist."

Nothing is likely to throw so much light on a subject as a concrete illustration taken from life. Much as we dislike to drag in personalities into our discussion, we feel justified in doing it in this instance. The person we are going to use in elucidating impossibilism is a man who never treated his antagonists with gloves and his activity is a matter of record. The writer of these lines never met the gentleman in question personally, and has no axes to grind. Many years ago an obscure instructor of a New York college was converted by an editor of a Jewish (Juedisch) paper to Socialism. The convert joined a small crowd of Lassalleans, strangers in a strange land, people of the type that never learn and never forget anything. None of the Lassalleans we speak of managed English sufficiently well. The instructor was therefore a desirable acquisition in the capacity of a spokesman, as a connecting link between the foreign and native radicals. The organization started by the Lassalleans prospered and for a while spread and grew all over the United States. All in the organization was well as long as it

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## Most in Need of Socialism

### An Appeal to Women to Join the Ranks

Present Conditions Almost Intolerable, and No Person is Secure Against a Future of Want or Degradation

By Theresa Mallie  
Written for the HERALD.

CAN see the smile of scorn on your lips as you are given this article. But think of the saying, "He laughs best who laughs last," and bear with me for a few minutes.

Are you satisfied with conditions as they are today? Answer earnestly and truthfully.

Does it not appear to you now and then that something must be wrong when the few revel in luxury and riches while the many struggle and labor in the sweat of their brows only to get a bit nearer to the grave?

If you are a working woman, think for a moment of what you get for all your hard work.

Think what little time you have left to live between work and sleep.

Think of the many indignities you have to undergo quite often in order to get a job.

Did you notice the advertisements in the papers? The bosses want hands. You personally do not count. They want your strength; and when your health is gone and you are not good looking or lucky enough to find a provider—you are thrown out into the street.

If you are a workingman's wife, you are even worse off. Your husband slaves for his boss and gets a few dollars per week, and you have to work to suit your husband, that he may give you part of that paltry sum. You work from early morning until late at night. You drudge day in and day out. Tell me, what do you get for this continual drudgery?

If you are a middle class woman—you are nothing but a toy in the hands of those upon whom you depend for a living. Should they tire of you or should they fail in the game of life, you, too, have to

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The October number of the Progressive Woman is an organization number and contains some valuable hints to Socialists on the best methods of getting women into the movement. It contains articles by May Wood Simons, Mila Tupper Maynard, Gertrude Breslau Hunt, and other leading Socialist women.

The Irish Socialist Federation is composed of members of the Irish race in America, and is organized to assist the revolutionary working class movement in Ireland by a dissemination of its literature; to educate the working class Irish of this country into a knowledge of Socialist principles and to prepare them to co-operate with the workers of all other races, colors and nationalities in the emancipation of labor.

It affirms its belief that political and social freedom are not two separate and unrelated ideas, but are two sides of the one great principle, each being incomplete without the other.

The Rand School of Social Science, the Socialist school of New York, opened its fourth year Oct. 1, in New York City. The students who attended last year totaled 211. Sunday morning lectures will be one of the features of the work of the school. The lecturers secured so far are Prof. Franklin H. Giddings, Mrs. Charlotte Perkins Gilman, Morris Hillquit, Algernon Lee, John Spargo, Prof. William Noves, and William M. Leiserson. The school offers courses in elementary composition, literature, advanced composition, public speaking, civics, elementary Socialism, introduction to Socialism, advanced course in Socialism and Social Reforms, American Labor and Reform Movements in addition to numerous others.

Roosevelt's Slang Factory

TO THE EDITOR:

I enclose you a clipping on the supposed origin of the phrase "undesirable citizens" and the same is accredited to the rough talker, and rider, and shooter, Mr. Teddy Roosevelt.

Well, Roosevelt borrowed the phrase "undesirable citizens" from Jack London's "Sea Wolf." Roosevelt borrowed his muckrake from "Puck," which during the Ben. Harrison administration cartooned Gov. David B. Hill of New York, as "the man with the muck-rake" (see the files of "Puck").

Now for the rough talker's much used word "mollvoddle." Well, any English dictionary will show that this word was in use long before Mr. Roosevelt ever shot a Spadina in the back.

One of his latest phrases of smut was his designation of Thomas Paine, in which he designates the great patriot as "a nasty dirty little atheist."

The phrase "nasty, dirty little atheist" can be found in either the bar-room vocabulary, or in the gutter slang.

William Henry Ferber,

[Enclosed.]

The Roosevelt Letter.

It was in 1907 that Harriman sign-

ed in a political controversy involving the name of Theodore Roosevelt, then president. Through a disgruntled stenographer, there was brought to light a letter written by Harriman to Sidney Webster, a lawyer, in which Harriman complained that the Roosevelt administration had not treated him fairly after he had been instrumental in raising \$225,000 for the campaign of 1904. The letter closed with the now famous question:

"Where do I stand?"

Roosevelt came forth with a letter now equally famous, which originated the expression "undesirable citizen."

The Wonderful Mass

Strike in Sweden

OMRADE John Sand-

gren, the delegate of the Swedish strikers, visited Milwaukee Friday and in a few earnest words gave us the thrilling story of this most wonderful of all strikes. "Most wonderful," we say advisedly. Not even the great general strike of Russia was so momentous an event. Here we have a vast body of organized men calmly, peacefully, persistently tying up all the industries of a whole country—starving, but patient—not one act of violence or lawlessness among these suffering men and women. Wonderful, wonderful spectacle!

And most wonderful of all, these determined Socialists—for Socialists they are—have steadily resisted the impulse to turn this general strike into a revolution. No doubt it was a great temptation. So much nonsense has been written and spoken about the "general strike."

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Dr. Fact, whose authority is science, and as an agnostic physician has to reason, claims that this is our only life and considers the Bible a blasphemous and incongruous travesty of God rather than a proof of His, or of a hereafter; he believes that we must seek our heaven within us and here on earth.

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## The Head and Foot of the Table

[Adapted from Portland (Ore.) Daily News.]

HERE was one thing nice about our horse-stealing ancestors who lived six or eight centuries ago—they were frank.

Take it in Merrie England and observe how the people ate. At the head of a long table, in a raftered room, sat the belted-earl. To him the servants first brought all food and drink, and he took his fill.

He passed the dishes down the table to his guest of noble blood at his right and to his wife at his left—and they ate their fill.

Next the dishes passed to the children of the house; to the poet, the doctor, the lawyer, the scholar, the priest and to others who lived by their wits rather than by their hands; to the classes who fed in idleness because they flattered the belted-earl or pleased his senses.

And after the intellectual parasites had fed, the bowmen, spearmen and huntsmen might dip their fingers into the now-cold dishes and sop the gravy up with crusts; they, too, might drink from the great flagons—drink the liquor that stood just above the bitter dregs.

And so the table was full.

But below the table, upon the rush-strewn floor, were the people who, in the gentler language of the day, were called "clouds," "yokels," "clowns" and "churls." All these people did was to do the work. They raised the crops and harvested them. They butchered the beef and made the ale and wine.

And there on the floor they got what was left after their noble master and his family, friends, flat-terers and men-at-arms had their fill.

What the man on the floor got was governed entirely by the state of the appetite of the "upper classes."

And he fought with half-starved dogs for the bones and crusts the last soldier tossed among the rushes.

Very frank but rather coarse.

Nowadays the man who does the work is his own master. He works for wages and buys what he will. But when Patten, the belted-earl of wheat, puts up prices, the farmer who raised the wheat last year gets no share of the increase, and the man who works for wages just so much less for his dollar.

And when Armour, the belted-earl of the jungle, raises the price of meat, the stockman gets no extra copper, but the workman's stew is thinner.

Not only are there the belted-earls to feed and their lank accounts to fatten, but there are diamond tiaras to be bought for the wife, and antos for the son; there are the steam yachts and the priceless paintings. And then there is the college to endow and the library to build; the church must have a new pipe organ, and the literary sycophant must be fed. There must be wine slippers for Reggie's chorus girl friends, and, of course, the song lawyer must have his share; for are not his wits the men-at-arms which hedge round the belted-earl of trusts and safeguard him from the mob, and those other valiant men-at-arms the senators and "public servants"?

And when these are all fed, the great wage working class and the farmers get their portion. And the portion is great or less as trust-made price make the dollar in their envelope shrink or expand.

But their seat is not at the table, and they get only what is left.

And they have to fight for it then, too; to fight with the half-starved dog—the unemployed—for that part that goes over the end of the table is just so much less by whatever has been given to charity by the masters.

## Edmund Kelley Is Dead

New York, Oct. 5.—Edmund Kelley, the noted lawyer, who for many years has devoted his wealth, time and talents to the solution of social problems, is dead today, the victim of a combination of complaints, and will be buried Wednesday from his home on North Mountain at Nyack-on-the-Hudson.

For nearly a year Mr. Kelley had been in poor health, suffering from a general breakdown. He returned from Paris, where he did most of his legal work, in an effort to regain his health.

He was an authority on international law and was of late years active as a Socialist.

PLAIN CAKE.

Beat to a cream one-half cup butter

and one cup sugar, add two eggs

well beaten, two scant cups of flour

measured after sifting and sifted

again with two heaping teaspoons

of baking powder and a little salt, and

three-quarter cup of milk.

TRIBUNE CAKE.

Rub one tablespoonful butter and

one cup sugar together, add one-third

cup of milk, two eggs, and vanilla,

then one and one-half cups flour and

one heaping teaspoonful baking powder

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## The Electrical Workers Mixup

The Michigan State Federation of Labor, in its convention, just closed, adopted the following resolution:

ANENT ELECTRICAL WORKERS.

The convention refused to seat the delegates of the Electrical Workers, but did adopt the following resolution by a vote of 46 to 19:

"Whereas, This Federation reaffirms its loyalty to the American Federation of Labor, whose principles are to protect the interests of the rank and file of the labor movement; and,

"Whereas, There is a conflict within the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers through no fault of the rank and file of that organization; and,

"Whereas, The Electrical Work-

ers' local unions within the jurisdiction of the Michigan State Federation of Labor are affiliated with the so-called faction not recognized by the A. F. of L. through the decision of the executive council of the A. F. of L., whose decision, if complied with within the state of Michigan, would be disastrous to the electrical workers of the state of Michigan; be it

"Resolved, That while the State Federation of Michigan recognizes and reaffirms its allegiance to the American Federation of Labor, we the delegates assembled, instruct our delegate to the A. F. of L. convention in Toronto to use every honorable effort to effect through that body an honorable and amicable settlement of their difficulty to the interest of all concerned."

The council then adjourned.

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Machinists Lodge No. 173, 1.34

Machinists Lodge No. 546, 3.00

Machinists Lodge No. 437, .84

Machinists Lodge No. 251, 2.70

Machinists Lodge No. 34, 1.96

Metal Polishers No. 45, 4.03

Musicians No. 8, 5.00

Musicians No. 166, 6.72

Newsmakers No. 9, 1.68

Painters and Decorators No. 876, 2.10

Painters and Decorators No. 316, 3.00

Painters and Decorators No. 145, 4.00

Plumbers No. 134, .56

Retail Clerks No. 49, .48

Shingle Weavers No. 60, 42

Stage Employees No. 18, 9.60

Stage Fitters No. 18, 8.40

Typographical No. 23, 19.80

Typographical No. 344, 7.76

Wood Finishers No. 1066, 3.18

Refunded by Int. Nat. Brews. Union Headqts., 22.60

Iron Workers No. 8, 9.60

Literature, 5.00

By Auditing Committee—  
Error by the Sec. Treas., 5.00

Interest on Bond, 5.00

Central Labor Union, She-  
boygan, 2.40

Federated Trades Council, 2.50

Trade and Labor Council, 5.00

La Crosse, 5.00

Trades and Labor Council, 5.00

Racine, 5.00

Trades and Labor Council, 5.00

Eau Claire, 5.00

Teamsters No. 442, 3.00

Carriage and Wagon Work-  
ers No. 25, 9.00

Typographical No. 448, 4.62

Total, \$902.65

EXPENDITURES.

Badges for 17th annual con-  
vention, \$20.05

Pencils for 17th annual con-  
vention, 2.00

Janitor services 17th annual  
convention, 2.00

Janitor services at 17th annual  
convention, 2.00

Assistant secretary's services  
at 17th annual convention, 2.00

Roll calls for 17th annual  
convention, 2.00

General organizers attending  
17th annual convention, 2.00

Secretary-Treasurer attending  
17th annual convention, 2.00

Annual report, 2.00

Office rent for 12 months, 2.00

Convention stationery and  
advance reports, 2.00

Space in English official or-  
gan, 3 months, 2.00

General organizer for serv-  
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The Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company publishes the *SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC HERALD*, *VORWAERTS* and *WAHRHEIT* (our German papers), is the proprietor of the Co-operative Printery and also of a rapidly growing book department, which publishes and prints many titles itself and handles thousands of books and pamphlets of other publishers.

Our papers, like all other Socialist papers in this country, still have a deficit to contend with. The printing department as well as our book department, of course, yield a profit, but not sufficient to overcome the deficit of the three papers. Our deficit which is not met from these two sources is nearly all raised by picnic and carnival proceeds, private donations and by the sale of capital stock.

Our cash deficit is the result of three causes. Perhaps before we state the causes, we had better define what we mean by cash deficit. Not all of it is loss, as many might think. It is that amount of cash disbursed or spent for the conduct and maintenance of the business, over and above the income derived from regular receipts. Disbursements include such items as rent, light, wages, repairs, new machinery, new books, etc. Regular receipts come from the income from subscriptions, advertising, book sales, printing, etc. These receipts do not include picnic and carnival proceeds, donations or proceeds from the sale of capital stock, loans or bonds. These latter items are special receipts from which the deficit is met and from which the cost of publishing new books and the payment of new machinery is provided. So you see, what is really *new capital*, and should be charged as such, is included in disbursements. Let us now proceed to enumerate the causes of this deficit.

The first cause comes from the fact that the regular receipts from the *HERALD*, *VORWAERTS* and *WAHRHEIT* are smaller than the operating expenses; the second, because the profits of the book department are not sufficient to pay for the publishing of a constantly increasing list of new books, the demand for which always far exceeds our ability to supply, and third, the constant demand for new type, new machinery, etc.—in short, new equipment which is absolutely necessary to keep up with our increasing business.

During the first eight months of 1909 the net deficit resulting from operation alone and not yet covered by donations, amounts to a little over \$200. The amount invested in new books is nearly \$700, and the amount spent for new tools, machinery, type, etc., is over \$900. All told, the total for these three items is approximately \$1,800.

Now, to cover these items and to provide for the future for these same items, we are asking for four hundred new life subscribers. Therefore, we want to sell four hundred shares of \$5.00 each of the capital stock of the Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company at once. As each purchaser of a share of our capital stock is entitled to a life subscription to the *SOCIAL-*

*DEMOCRATIC HERALD*, it is plainly seen that four hundred new life subscribers to the *HERALD* is all that is required.

You are probably getting anxious to know how to win one of those fine sets of books. Just

have patience. We will come to that soon. To

necessary to tell you something about it before

we explain our offer.

The Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company is capitalized at \$25,000, of which about \$18,675 is sold. Shares are \$5.00 each. No dividends have ever been declared on the stock and probably none ever will be. It was never intended that the publishing company should make profits for individuals, but rather

for the whole people, through the establishment of Socialism. If the company in the future should make a profit on the year's business, such profit would naturally go into the improvement and enlargement of the plant. If some time there should be a surplus above that need, the stockholders would, undoubtedly, vote to contribute it to the Social-Democratic party. However, each stockholder receives a dividend annually in the form of a life subscription to the *HERALD*, which goes with the stock.

It is safe to say that none of our stockholders expect any other dividends. They have simply invested their money in the publishing company to help the cause of Socialism. The question of dividends is not likely to arise for years. Contrary to other Socialist papers, who undoubtedly in the best of faith believe they will soon be on a self-sustaining basis, we can see that, even if that point is reached so far as operating expenses are concerned, there will be many, many years of great sacrifices before Socialist publishing houses will be in a position to provide also for improvements and enlargements from their regular income. Consequently cash dividends will not worry us for a long while.

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When you consider that the purchasers of a share will receive full value in the form of their subscription to the *HERALD* in five or ten years, according as they are entitled to the local eight-page or national four-page edition, it will be a very easy matter to sell stock. Besides this, he will become a part owner in the Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company.

Send for instructions and a list at once—before you do a single other thing. The books will be awarded as soon as the four hundred shares are sold. Progress of the sale will be reported in the *HERALD* each week. Get busy! Start right now!

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## School Directors Now Trying to Direct

Social-Democrats Ask for Free School Books and Smaller Classes—The Trade School Problem—University Extension Resolution Passed

Teachers' Retirement Fund Trustees  
Director Berger, elected for two years.  
Director Mowry, elected for two years.  
Director Whitnall, elected for one year.  
Director Keogh, elected for one year.

One of the busiest meetings ever held by the school board was that of last Tuesday evening. It was a meeting so full of meat that the newspaper reporters, dispairing of doing justice to all the points had to use their space for a few of them that made the best news.

Among the resolutions introduced by the Socialists was one on the subject of free text books and to reduce the size of classes.

The board has some big problems on its hands, and these raised their heads several times during the meeting, notably the problem of the trade schools. For two years the trade school for men, under the business guidance of big manufacturers like Lindeman, Neacy and others, has moved along under the supposition that all was well with it and that Milwaukee had something to be highly proud of.

The Social-Democrats have dispelled this dream, and at Tuesday night's meeting it was clear that the directors at last realized that they must actually do some directing in regard to it.

### With Lavish Hand

"We are squandering the money of the people," declared one director, and there were nods of acquiescence. For in two years \$80,000 has been spent at the trade school and twelve boys graduated. And it represents \$600 a year for each pupil taught. In the face of this there was before the board a request for a salary raise at the school, with ascending yearly increases.

When a report came before the board to appoint three teachers for the new girls' trade school, one for cooking, another for designing and another for sewing, Director Heath halted the adoption of the report by calling attention to the fact that nothing was specified as to salary. This started up things. It was stated that the salaries would be the same as at the men's trade school, \$1,800, and that if the increases asked for were granted, the girls' school instructors would get the increase also. "What, \$1,800 a year to teach sewing?" asked some of the directors, in astonishment. But the excuse given was that the trade schools have longer hours than district or high schools and that the teachers were specialists.

### Extra For Night Work

A motion to lay the report over failed of adoption, by a vote of 7 to 6. The appointments were then confirmed 8 to 6. However, the salary raise already referred to went back to committee to save it from slaughter, and Director Berger sent with it the following resolution, based on the fact that the raises were being urged because of night work.

Resolved, That the vice principal of the Trade school be constituted the principal of the school at the salary which he is now receiving, the vice principalship being discontinued; further,

Resolved, That the teachers in the Trade school be paid extra for night service.

The old Normal School building, which had been intended for an administration building, was ordered rented to the Trade School for Girls for one year. Director Raasch made a strong plea in favor of this action.

### Wants Free Text Books

Director Heath proposes to make the subject of free text books a live one in the school board. His resolution was as follows:

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Whereas, The present seems an opportune time to correct this condition at least where in certain wards the shifting of the population has decreased the enrollment; therefore,

Resolved, That in all schools where there are sufficient rooms to permit it without the use of barracks, the size of the classes be lowered to twenty-five pupils to each teacher, or thereabouts; and,

Resolved, That sanitary drinking cups be introduced in all the public schools of Milwaukee as rapidly as possible; and,

Whereas, Children are thus exposed to the most death-some diseases, and their lives are put in continuous peril; therefore, be it resolved,

Resolved, That the saying of a few hundred dollars is not to be weighed against the health and safety of our little ones; and be it further

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Whereas, It is a fact acknowledged by all physicians that drinking cups thus promiscuously used are a fertile means of spreading contagious diseases; and,

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